## **Trust Fund Bureaus**

- •Fisheries Bureau
- Wildlife Bureau
- Law Enforcement
   Bureau

## Fish & Wildlife Trust Fund Current Status

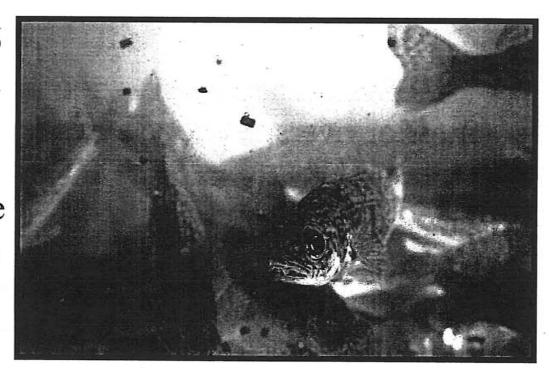
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November 5, 2009
Diane Ford, Conservation & Recreation Division

#### Fisheries Bureau

**Operations--\$10,049,086** 

- Four Regional Offices
- •117 employees across the state (4 held vacant due to budget cuts)

•17 Field Offices



## Fisheries Programs— Work Accomplished

- Fisheries Management—200 lakes, 19,000 miles of interior rivers, 200,000 acres border rivers, 78 trout streams
- Hatcheries—6
- Aquatic Research—invasives, water quality, fish health and populations, mussels
- Aquatic Education—Fish Iowa!, Project Wild, Project Aquatic, Project Learning Tree

### **Economic Benefits to Iowa**

Dollars spent on Fishing in Iowa: \$362 Million Per Year

Jobs Created from Fishing in Iowa:

Days Iowa Spent Fishing:

Iowans that Fish:

7,100

7.4 Million

1 in 3

#### Wildlife Bureau

#### Operations--\$13,593,775

- Five Districts
- 132 Employees Across the State (8 held vacant due to budget cuts
- Sixteen Management Units



## Wildlife Bureau— Work Accomplished

- Public Lands Management—510 Public Wildlife Areas, 356,000 acres of public land; 307 boat ramps; 9 shooting ranges
- Private Lands Management—Recommendations made on over 230,000 acres; 79,000 acres of wetland habitat improvement and nearly 17,000 acres of buffers

## Wildlife Bureau— Work Accomplished

- Research and Restoration—Surveys of Wildlife Population Status; Research for Better Management; Restoration of Otter, Sharptail Grouse and Prairie Chicken Populations
- Wildlife Diversity—Oversee 450+ Nongame Species;
   Reintroductions; Expertise for Nongame Management on Public Lands; and Education

## **Economic Benefits to Iowa**

**\$\$** Spent on Hunting:

\$443m per year

\$\$ Spent by Wildlife Watchers:

\$342m per year

**Hunters**:

243,000

Wildlife Watchers:

1,022,000

Days Spent Hunting:

4 million

Days Spent Wildlife Watching:

6.4 million

#### Law Enforcement Bureau

#### Operations--\$11,421,968

- Six Districts
- Ninety-Five Sworn Officers (11 positions held vacant due to budget cuts)
- Seven Office Personnel
- Seasonal Navigation and ATV officer positions



#### Law Enforcement Mission

- Protect the State's Natural Resources
- Provide Public Safety for Outdoor Recreation
- Educate and Serve the Public
- Ensure for Future Generations the rights, privileges, and benefits we now enjoy

## Law Enforcement— Work Accomplished

- Conservation Officers—Fish and Game Law Enforcement, Boating, Snowmobile and ATV Enforcement
- Recreational Safety—Boating, shooting sports, hunter safety, snowmobile and ATV safety
- Training—Firearms, Defensive Tactics, CPR,
   Waterfowl Identifications, Forensic Trainings, and
   More

# Where Does the Money Come From?

- Hunting and Fishing License Fees
- Habitat Stamps
- State Waterfowl Stamp

## •Trout Stamp

Nongame Check-off

 Pittman-Robertson Wildlife Restoration Federal Aid

Boat Registration Fees